**Albina Rotary Club Hybrid Meeting 4 January, 2023**

**Members Present:** Yasuko Fields, Jennifer Harbick, Donald Jones, Craig Lewelling, Jeremy Miller, Frances Moore, Lisa Pickert, Kathryn Weber

President Jenn opened our meeting at 12:07 PM with our club mission statement and a quotation from Robyn T. Braley.

**MINUTES:** The 14 December minutes were approved with a minor correction. (Don/Lisa)

**PROGRAM**

The scheduled program on sex trafficking didn’t take place because the presenter didn’t come to the meeting. Lisa will contact her to re-schedule it.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Jenn reported that Kaleidoscope now has enough information about our scholarship process to accept applications. She will contact Byron to see if he has sent information about the scholarships to the high school counselors yet, and to learn his plan for moving forward with the updated program.
* Jenn told us that Shelter Box, which we heard about a few months ago, is very active in Ukraine now and that we can send them contributions as individuals or as a club.
* Don asked if Amy at Fred Meyer had celebrated their Holiday Box packing with a pizza party yet. (He has since heard that they celebrated a week later.)
* Remember to sign up for the 14 January pick-up on the SOLVE website—or just come; we can sign you up there. Bring a friend, if you wish.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Lisa showed us an impressive newsletter from the N/NE Clinic, which she is sharing with us as an attachment to these minutes. Take a look at it! They do good work.
* Frances expressed her concern that our Foundation has taken no action (other than the Holiday Boxes) toward supporting the organizations listed on this year’s budget. The Rotary year is half-way over and we need the members to meet and get going.
* Lisa mentioned two Don’t Shoot PDX volunteer activities members could join (listed below).
* Lisa reminded us that we need to choose our next year officers by the end of the month. **Positions that need to be filled:** Club President-Elect (for 2024-25 Rotary year), Treasurer and Secretary; Foundation Treasurer, Secretary & Member-at-Large. Frances said she would be glad to continue as Foundation Secretary.
* Jenn inducted **Jeremy Miller as our newest member!** He received a packet containing information about Rotary, a Rotary pin and a framed membership certificate, as well as a warm welcome. Then he told us something about himself and why he joined.

Jeremy is a Navy Brat, an architect who worked on affordable housing, moved to Portland in 2010, lives in the Overlook Neighborhood, and joined Rotary because it was close by and seemed to be a good way to become more involved in improving life in his neighborhood.

**MEMBER REPORTS**

* Don donated a box containing a Paul Harris medal and pin to the club, and suggested that we focus a future meeting to learning about the Paul Harris program. RI uses this program as a way to fund many of its major projects and encourages individual Rotarians to donate to it. Clubs are also encouraged to donate. Our club made an annual donation each year until Covid stopped in-person meetings, and our longer-term members have donated as individuals. Frances added that a Rotary video on this subject is available.

The meeting closed at 12:50 PM with the 4-Way Test.

**Our next Hybrid meeting will be at 12 Noon on 18 January at the Neil Kelly office. Bring a lunch if you wish.**

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Moore, Secretary

**Upcoming events:**

* 11 January: 1:00-4:00 PM, E. Portland Rotary Hospitality training on commercial sex trafficking: training at Radisson Hotel, 6233 NE 78th Court; register at [rotaryendsextrafficking@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryendsextrafficking@gmail.com) by 6 January. (Now!)
* 14 January: 8:30 AM, SOLVE trash pick-up; meet at Neil Kelly parking lot
* 16 January: 1:00 PM, Don’t Shoot PDX annual March for Rights & Dignity, 700 N Rosa Parks Way (volunteer opportunity)